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By Adon Jodge

₩в. No. 79

#### A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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#### Hondo Anvil Herald

Hondo, Texas 78861

PUBLISHER'S AFFIDAVIT

The State of Texas)

County of Medina)

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day did personally appear **Frances** Proctor, a person known to me, who on her oath stated that she is the Editor of the Hondo Anvil Herald, a newspaper published in Medina County, Texas, and which newspaper is of general cir-culation and has been published for more than twelve (12) months prior to the insertion of the attached notice, and that she knows the facts stated in this affidavit.

That the attached printed matter is a true and correct copy of the publication of the notice of which it purports to be a true copy, as the same appeared in such newspaper in the respective issues of:

That the charge of such

newspaper, being \$ 490

Frances Proctor, Editor

Subscribed and sworn to be-

fore me on this the 26

Notary Public Medina County, Texas

This is notice of intent to introduce a local bill in the forthcoming session of the Legislature to increase the maximum Civil Jurisdiction of the Medina County Court at Law from \$20,000.00 to \$50,000.00, excluding interest, and to provide for payment of fees on cases in excess of \$20,000.00 to be the same as in District Court. Pub. Sept. 22, 1988

NOTICE

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# HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORTE PM 7: 59

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

By Edge

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## **COMMITTEE REPORT**

21	February	1989

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We, your COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY,	
o whom was referred H.B. 79 (measure)	have had the same under consideration and beg to report
pack with the recommendation that it	
(X) do pass, without amendment. ( ) do pass, with amendment(s). ( ) do pass and be not printed; a Complete C	committee Substitute is recommended in lieu of the original measure
A fiscal nile was requested. (x) yes ( ) no	An actuarial analysis was requested. ( ) yes 浆剂 no
An author's fiscal statement was requested. (	)yes (x)no

A criminal justice policy impact statement was prepared. ( ) yes XXno 

YX The Committee recommends that this measure be sent to the Committee on Local and Consent Calendars for placement on the (x) Local, ( ) Consent, or ( ) Resolutions Calendar.

This measure ( ) proposes new law.	44) amends existing law.
House Sponsor of Senate Measure	

The measure was reported from Committee by the following vote:

	AYE	NAY	PNV	ABSENT
Thompson, S., Ch.	X			
Seidlits, V.C.				X
Conley	X			
Dutton	X.			
Hinojosa			X	
Hudson, D.	, X			
Hudson, S.		·		Χ
Perez	X			
Thomas	X			
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Total	
6	aye
0	nay
1	present, not voting
2	absent

COMMITTEE COORDINATOR

#### BILL ANALYSIS

By: Edge

H.B. 79

## **BACKGROUND**

Relating to the jurisdiction of the County Court at Law of Medina County and certain fees in that court.

#### **PURPOSE**

This bill amends Section 25.1652 of the Government Code by raising the maximum jurisdiction amount from \$20,000 to \$50,000. It also sets the fees for such cases at the same amount as in district courts.

#### RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the opinion of the committee that this bill does not delegate any rulemaking authority to a state agency, officer, department, or institution.

#### SECTION-BY-SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1 This section amends the Government Code, Section 25.1652(a)2A by changing concurrent jurisdiction amount to \$50,000.

SECTION 2 This section amends the Government Code, Section 25.1652 by adding Subsection (i), which sets the fees of a concurrent civil jurisdiction at the same levels as in district courts.

SECTION 3 This section makes fees effective only if made payable on or after the effective date.

SECTION 4 Emergency Clause.

#### SUMMARY OF COMMITTEE ACTION

H.B. 79 was considered in a public hearing on January 31, 1989. Testimony was taken in favor of the bill from Medina County Judge Joe E. Briscoe and attorney Hugh H. Meyer of Hondo, Texas. No witnesses testified against the bill. H.B. 79 was referred to a

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subcommittee. The subcommittee heard the bill in a formal meeting on February 13, 1989. Representative Seidlits moved that H.B. 79 be reported back favorably to the full committee. The motion passed by the following record vote: 3 Ayes, 0 Nayes, 0 PNV, 0 Absent. The full committee considered the subcommittee report on H.B. 79 on February 21, 1989. Representative David Hudson moved that H.B. 79 be reported out of committee without amendments with the recommendation that it do pass. The motion prevailed by the following record vote: 6 Ayes, 0 Nayes, 1 PNV, 2 Absent.

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

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#### Austin, Texas

#### FISCAL NOTE

January 26, 1989

TO: Honorable Senfronia Thompson, Chair

Committee on Judiciary House of Representatives In Re: House Bill No. 79

By: Edge

Austin, Texas

FROM: Jim Oliver, Director

In response to your request for a Fiscal Note on House Bill No. 79 (relating to the jurisdiction of the County Court at Law of Medina County and to certain fees in that court) this office has determined the following:

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Office of Court Administration; Source:

LBB Staff: JO, JWH, AL, KVO, PA

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By: Edge (Senate Sponsor - Sims) H.B. No. 79 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 10, 1989; April 10, 1989, read first time and referred to Committee on Jurisprudence; April 26, 1989, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 4, Nays 0; April 26, 1989, sent to printer.)

#### COMMITTEE VOTE

· .	Yea	Nay	PNV	Absent
Glasgow	X			
Henderson		<del>-</del>		x
Bivins	x			
Caperton				х
Dickson	x			
Krier	х			
Parker				Х

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50 Austin, Texas 51 April 26, 1989

52 Hon. William P. Hobby 53 President of the Senate

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55 your Committee on Jurisprudence to which was referred H.B. 56 No. 79, have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed 57 report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do 58 pass and be printed.

59 Glasgow, Chairman

#### SENATE FAVORABLE COMMITTEE REPORT

Lt. Governor William P. Hobby President of the Senate		:	_APR	1/2 2 1989 (date)/(time) 2:24	7
Sir:				_	/
We, your Committee onJURISPRU				_to which was referr	ed
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(V) and is recommended for placeme	ent on the Lo	ocal and Uncontested	l Bills Calendar.		
A fiscal note was requested.	(V) yes	( ) no			
A revised fiscal note was requested.	() yes	W no			
An actuarial analysis was requested.					
Considered by subcommittee.	() yes	(V) no			
Senate Sponsor of House Measure	Sim	5			
The measure was reported from Comm	mittee by the	following vote:			

	YEA	NAY	PNV	ABSENT
Glasgow, Chairman				
Henderson, Vice Chairman				1
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Dickson				
Krier				
Parker				1/2
TOTAL VOTES	4	U	0	1 3

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CHAIRMAN

Paper clip the original and one copy of this form to the original bill and retain one copy for your file.

## LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD

Austin, Texas

FISCAL NOTE April 19, 1989

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TO:

Honorable Bob Glasgow, Chairman Committee on Jurisprudence

Senate Chamber Austin, Texas

In Re: House Bill No. 79,

as engrossed By: Edge

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Senate Jurisprudence Committee

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# REQUEST FOR LOCAL & UNCONTESTED CALENDAR PLACEMENT

Hon. Bill Sims, Chairman Administration Committee

Sir:

was heard by the Committee on <u>Juril Prunerous</u> on <u>4-25</u>, 1987, and reported out with the recommendation that it be placed on the Local and Uncontested Calendar.

Clerk of the reporting committee

IMPORTANT: A COPY OF THIS FORM MUST BE ATTACHED TO A PRINTED COPY OF THE BILL OR RESOLUTION, WHICH ALONG WITH 14 ADDITIONAL COPIES OF THE BILL OR RESOLUTION SHOULD BE DELIVERED TO THE OFFICE OF THE COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATION, ROOM 419. PLEASE CALL 3-0350 IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS. DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING BILLS FOR THE LOCAL CALENDAR IS 5:00 P.M. FRIDAY.

# **ENROLLED**

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Chief Clerk of the House
passed by the Senate on May 4,
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Secretary of the Senate

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'NOV 1 6 1988	1. Filed with the Chief Clerk.
JAN 1 7 1989	2. Read first time and Referred to Committee on
FEB 2 / 1989	3. Reported favorably (acceptance) and sent to Printer at#: 10 pm FEB 2 2 1989
FEB 2 2 1989	4. Printed and distributed at 7:59 pm
FEB 23 1989	5. Sent to Committee on Calendars at 11:00 am
APR 6 1989	6. Read second time (amended); passed to third reading (failed) by (Non-Record Vote) (Record Vote ofyeas,nays,nays,not voting).
	7. Motion to reconsider and table the vote by which H.B was ordered engrossed prevailed (failed) by a (Non-Record Vote) (Record Vote of yeas, nays, and present, not voting).
	8. Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days suspended (failed to suspend) by a four-fifths vote of yeas, nays, and present, not voting.

APR 6 1989	9. Read third time (amended); finally passed (failed) by (Non Record Vete) (Record Vote of
	10. Caption ordered amended to conform to body of bill.
	11. Motion to reconsider and table the vote by which H. B was finally passed prevailed (failed) by a (Non-Record Vote) (Record Vote of yeas, nays, and present, not voting).
'APR 6 1989	12. Ordered Engrossed at 1:23 pm
APR 6 1989	13. Engrossed.
	_ 14. Returned to Chief Clerk at4.51pm
APR 1 0 198	15. Sent to Senate.  Setter Brown Chief Herk of the House Many
APR 1 0 1989	_ 16. Received from the House
APR 1 0 1989	17. Read, referred to Committee on
IAPR 2 6 1989	_ 18. Reported favorably
	19. Reported adversely, with favorable Committee Substitute; Committee Substitute real first time.
	20. Ordered not printed.
	21. Regular order of business suspended by (a viva voce vote.)

<b>IM</b> AY 4 1989	22. To permit consideration, reading and passage, Senate and Constitutional Rules suspended by vote of
MAY 4 1989	24. Caption ordered amended to conform to body of bill.
MAY 4 1989	25. Senate and Constitutional 3-Day Rules suspended by vote of yeas, nays to place bill on third reading and final passage.
	26. Read third time and passed by  (a viva voce vote.)  (
OTHER ACTION:	OTHER ACTION:  Secretary of the Senate
May 4, 1989	27. Returned to the House.
MAY 4 1980.	28. Received from the Senate (with amendments.) (se substituted.)
	29. House (Concurred) (Refused to Concur) in Senate (Amendments) by a (Non-Record Vote) (Record Vote of yeas, nays, present, not voting).
	30. Conference Committee Ordered.
	31. Conference Committee Report Adopted (Rejected) by a (Non-Record Vote) (Record Vote of
MAY 4 1980.	32. Ordered Enrolled at 10: 3/ am

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Preside	nt of the Senate	Speaker of the House
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on	(2) April (	o_, 1989, by the following vote:
Yeas 139,	Nays <u>O</u>	(4)
		Chief Clerk of the House
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		Secretary of the Senate
APPROVED:		
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	Governor	•

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